

# \$20,000 Fire Sweeps S. Side Building

## Factory Razed, Neighborhood Is Threatened

### Steel Beams Wilting, Garages Gutted

A sudden 2-alarm fire rampaged through a South Side neighborhood early today, demolishing part of a factory, gutting three garages and threatening the entire residential area.

The fire broke out in the Service Spring Co., 735 St. Paul St., shortly before 3 a. m., causing \$20,000 damages.

A watchman, Vern Richter, discovered a small blaze in the northeast corner of the factory. He tried to call firemen, but found the office phone out of order. A passing police car spotted the leaping flames a few minutes later.

#### Call Extra Vehicles

Extra vehicles were called as a protection against ignition of nearby gas tanks.

A Pure Oil Co. storage building is located next door to the service company.

Firemen said 20,000 barrels of crude oil were stored under the factory but that flames did not reach the area. The fuel oil is used in the firm's blast furnaces.

#### Wilts Steel Beams

Firemen confined the factory fire to the northeast corner. The intense heat wilts 12-inch steel beams and left them crumpled like straws. A tar roof covering carried flames into the rest of the factory but fireproof construction kept it from inflicting heavy damages.

O. J. Strayer, president of the firm which manufactures automobile springs, said damages would total at least \$20,000. He said the plant will be out of operation about two weeks.

The flames jumped an alley and gutted three garages in the 2300 block of Hoyt Ave. Residents began moving their furniture out of houses in the area as it appeared winds might whip the flames over the neighborhood.

Residents said they tried to summon firemen when the first flames were spotted but that telephones were out of service over the entire area.

Indiana Bell Telephone Co. said at least 20 phones were out of order in the area, apparently the result of a cable being affected by the intense heat.

## Sewing Contest Prizes Offered

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ard pattern; Coat or Suit, made  
from standard pattern.

GLAMOUR GROUP (Open to All Ages) — "Special occasion" clothes such as evening clothes, lounge clothes and beach wear, made from standard patterns or from original design by contestant.

ORIGINAL DESIGN GROUP (Open to All Ages) — Adult dresses, coats or suits originally designed by the contestant without use of commercial pattern.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING GROUP (Open to All Ages) — Garments for children up to 12 years old made from standard pattern or originally designed by contestant. ALL garments for children — even though of original design — MUST be entered in the Children's Clothing Group.

## Dillinger Partner Begins Sentence

A 34-year-old former Dillinger henchman today began a 15-year term in the state prison at Michigan City.

William A. Shaw was sentenced yesterday by Judge Saul I. Rabb in Criminal Court, Division 2, also as a member of a safe-cracking and burglary ring police smashed recently. Shaw pleaded guilty to the armed robbery of Henry L. Koor, 58, manager of Wagman Brothers' Department Store, 1841-43 Shely St., last fall.

Shaw, who confessed several other crimes at the time of his arrest, bragged of being a chauffeur for John Dillinger while he (Shaw) was only a schoolboy.

SPONSORS CARD PARTY  
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## Gary Native Is Prisoner Of Tito's Secret Police

GARY, Mar. 2 — Serbian organizations in the United States are sending appeals to the State Department urging aid for a former Hoosier native of Gary, who is reported jailed by Tito's secret police.

They refer to the Serbian Eastern Orthodox Metropolitan of Sarajevo, Varnava, whose boyhood name was Vojislav Nastic. He was born in Gary on Jan. 31, 1914, the son of Tana and Zorka Nastic. His parents had left Serbia in 1905 and settled in Gary, but returned to their home land in 1923.

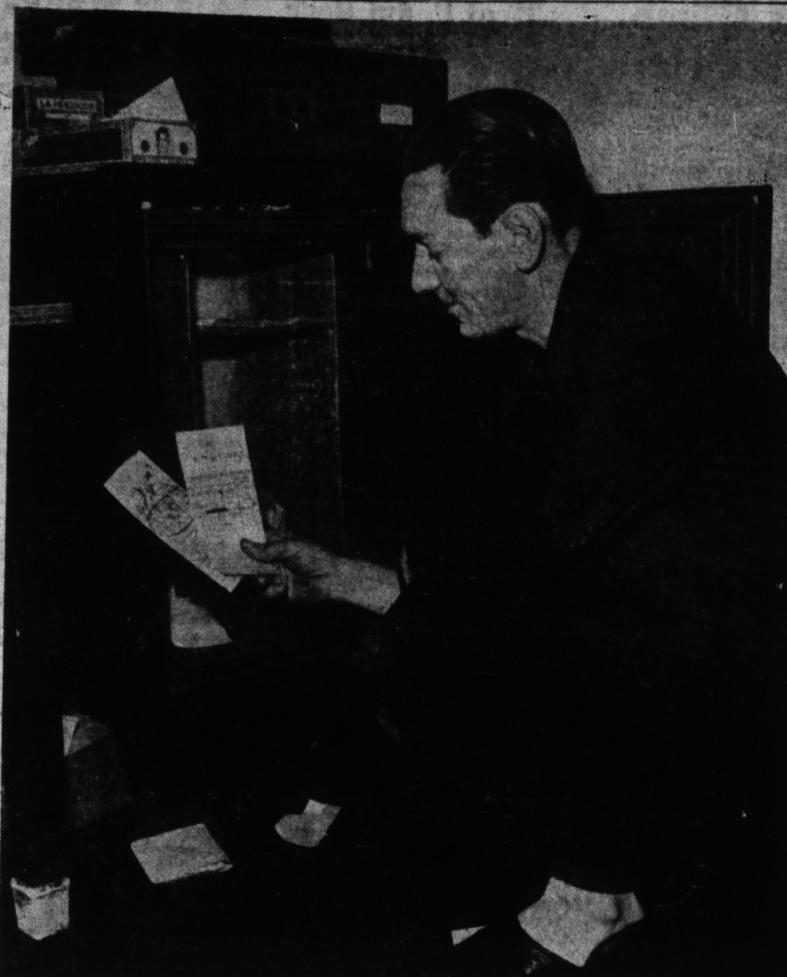
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**LIBERAL VIEW LEAGUE CLUB HOLDUP** — For the second time in six weeks, Roll Hoss, co-owner of the South Side night club, was held up, probably by the same men. Getting practically no cash in the first holdup, the bandits early today got \$6000 from the club's safe. Here L. S. Pratt, club co-owner, kneels by the empty safe. Only a dinner check or two remain.

## Snow, Rain Make Driving Hazardous

### Little Change Seen In Weather Here

Driving became hazardous as highways in the northern portions of Indiana were covered with packed snow or ice today while rain fell all over the state, the state police said.

In the Dunes State Park area, roads were covered with snow, but a warm rain was slightly breaking it up.

In the area around Lafayette, highways were reported wet and slushy. Traffic was not tied up, however.

Roads Glazed With Ice  
A light snow in the Elkhart area yesterday caused roads in northeastern Indiana to be glazed with ice. In the section around Elkhart, highways also were dangerous as a freezing rain fell this morning.

Light rain fell in the south portions of the state but did not present any driving hazard, state police said. No snow was expected in the central or southern parts of the state.

The generally cloudy conditions here, caused by an area of low pressure moving across the state, are expected to continue for a while, but no extreme cold is expected.

Temperatures today are expected to range between 38 and 42 degrees. Low for tonight will be between 33 and 35.

Predictions are that the Wabash River will reach the flood stage at Terre Haute tomorrow morning, though no serious consequences are expected because most of the Indiana rivers are falling slightly.

The Weather Bureau said it is unlikely that the Ohio River will overflow its banks unless prolonged rains come to the southern part of the state.

Heavy snows in eastern Nebraska sent the Platte and Elkhorn Rivers over their banks. Train service was rerouted through Omaha and many highways were flooded and others blocked by snow.

Seven inches of snow was reported in Chicago this morning.

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as the bishop of his church, in spite of all its enemies.

Soon after this, according to the Serbian National Defense Council of America, he was jailed by the OZNA secret police.

Bishop Varnava, according to the Council, is now being accused by Tito's regime of collaboration with the Croat Ustashi. The Council brands this "a most preposterous lie," declaring that the Ustashi slaughtered more than 700,000 of Bishop Varnava's Orthodox brethren during the war, including bishops and many of the clergy.

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## James to Open GHQ; Form 2 Jenner Clubs

Lt. Gov. Richard T. James said today he would open a headquarters within a week for his campaign to win the Republican nomination for governor.

At the same time formation of two new clubs supporting Sen. William E. Jenner for the nomination was announced.

Mr. James said opening of his headquarters and appointment of a campaign manager would climax several weeks of statewide organizational activity.

The newest Jenner clubs were the United Negro Jenner-for-Governor Club headed by Columbus Morgan, and the Jenner-for-Governor Booster Club of Marion County headed by Roy Standiford, 1715 Carrollton Ave.

## Capehart Fights To Save VA Jobs

Times Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2 — Sen. Homer E. Capehart's (R. Ind.) office today announced that efforts will be made to save the jobs of 15 Indiana veterans who have been working as lawyers with the Veterans Administration in Indianapolis.

They have been on the adjudication and rating boards and are being discharged on Mar. 31 by the nationwide VA retrenchment program. Three of them placed their flight before Ray S. Donaldson, administrative assistant to Sen. Capehart, who promised him self on the Taft-Bell-Wagner Bill which they want forced from committee by a discharge petition in the House. Like many of his colleagues, Mr. Capehart doesn't like the federal housing provisions of that measure, he said.

Sen. William E. Jenner promised the veterans to vote for it according to Fred A. Sondermann, ex-GI student from Butler University, Indianapolis. He is state vice commander of the American Veterans Committee.

Ludlow to Sign

He said that Rep. Louis Ludlow's office assured them that the Indiana Congressman would sign the discharge petition in the House. This will bring the bill to the floor when 218 signatures are obtained.

Mr. Ludlow makes it a policy to sign all discharge petitions while Mr. Capehart, even before becoming majority leader, takes exactly the opposite viewpoint. He contends that all the work of the House should be carried on through regular committee channels.

According to Mr. Sondermann, Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. O.) made an "excellent impression" when he assured the veterans that he would seek passage of his bill as soon as possible this session.

On Job Since 1946

Those here from Indianapolis are Edward A. Schurman, John L. Orr and Andrew Pelfrey. They have been with Veterans Administration since 1946. They argue that they have been unable to obtain Civil Service status since no examinations have been held and therefore are being discriminated against. Mr. Donaldson directed their complaints to both Veterans Administration and the Civil Service Commission, he said.

Sen. Capehart and his secretary, Charles L. Eggenroad, are in Kansas City where the Senator is conducting hearings on how steel shortages affects small businesses in that area. The Senator is a member of the Senate Small Business Committee.

Mayor Swings Economy  
Ax on Asphalt Plant

The separate asphalt plant operated by the City Park Board to pave its own driveways, was ordered abandoned today by Mayor Feeney.

"Operating that plant is a waste of money," said the Mayor. "The street department asphalt plant can do all that work at less cost."

Events Today

Indiana Council of Women—Auditorium, 2115 S. Pershing, sponsored by the Indiana Planners, sponsored by the school board and 15 local organizations—Afternoon and night. YMCA.

Worship Service—8:15 p. m. St. Mark's United Lutheran Church.

Amherst Guild of Organists—8:30 p. m. North Methodist Church.

Indiana Farm Bureau Co-Operative Association—Severn Hotel.

Indiana Public Workers Union—Elkhorn Club—Claypool Hotel.

Events Tomorrow

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Indiana Club—Claypool Hotel.

Marriage Licenses

General Danaher, 2115 S. Pershing, M. Salem: Paul Arnold Phillips, 3416 N. Salem: William Louis Farson, 3416 N. Salem: Verner A. Adams, 3416 N. Salem: Charles E. Bage, 375 N. Belmont: Charles E. Bage, 375 N. Belmont: Ethel Lehman, General Hospital: Virgil Homer McCoy, 926 Park Ave.: Mary E. Foster, 926 Park Ave.: Donald P. Kiltz, 927 Park Ave.: Margaret R. Wehlgemuth, 4134 N. Penn.

Births

Bernie Apple; Robert, Anna Wimmer; St. Vincent's—Roland, Bertha Oberle; Paul, Cornell, Girls.

St. Francis—Grivester, Dorothy Swarts; Art C. Clegg, Marion, Indiana.

St. Louis—Antioch, Alice Ann Schreiber; John, Edna Williams; Harold, Phyllis, Girls.

Methodist—Carmen, Lucille Huber; Eugene, Carol Severt; Henry, Mabel LaRue; Carl, Vida Mithoffer; Leon, Edna, Girls.

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